Application No.: 10/573,392

Attorney Docket: NOTAR-035US

REMARKS

This is a response to the Office Action dated May 01, 2008.

I. SUMMARY OF OFFICE ACTION

In the Office Action, Claims 1-3 were allowed. The Examiner also indicated that Claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, 2nd paragraph. The Specification was objected to based upon minor informalities listed in page 3 and 4 of the Office Action.

Additionally, the drawings were objected to.

II. DRAWINGS

In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to because in figure 6, it is not clear as to what A-A represents. Furthermore, the Examiner suggested that figures 1-3 should be designated as prior art.

In response to the objections, Applicant has submitted a replacement sheet for figures 1-4 and 6. The replacement sheet for figures 4 and 6 amends "A-A" to "5-5" which represents the section view indicated with line 5-5 in figure 4.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the replacement drawing sheet provided is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d).

III. APPLICANT'S RESPONSE

A. CLAIM 4 REJECTION

In the Office Action, Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. In response, Applicant has amended Claim 4 to remove the term "preferable."

Claim 4 as amended is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

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B. SPECIFICATION OBJECTIONS

In the Office Action, the Specification was objected to due to informalities. In response, Applicant has amended the Specification to address the informalities indicated by the Examiner. In this respect, Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments corrected the informalities.

IV. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that the stated ground for rejection has been overcome, and that Claims 1-4 are in condition for allowance. An early notice of allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any suggestions for expediting allowance of the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

If any additional fee is required, please charge deposit account number 19-4330.

Respectfully submitted,

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